

Model Ordinances

1. **Chemical Control Ordinance (14, 6)**The purpose of this ordinance is to require construction sites of a specified size to evaluate, plan and implement chemical control procedures in the form of an approved Chemical Spill Prevention and Management Plan. The ordinance specifies management goals to be met by construction in order to develop a site-specific plan to prevent spills, as well as manage any spills that do occur. When plans are not developed or not followed the ordinance gives the Parish the authority to stop "unplanned" activities, assess penalties and/or take corrective action and recover cost.

1. **Site Preparation and Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance (3, 5, 11, 12)**The ordinance requires all land disturbing activities of a certain size to evaluate the site's potential for erosion and develop a plan designed to minimize negative impacts to water resources. The plans will be submitted for approval, with no land disturbance being permitted without an approved plan. This allows for all hydromodification activities to be reviewed to ensure reduced water quality impacts. If a site is found to have no plan or provisions of a plan are not being followed the parish will have the authority to stop activities on site, as well as assess penalties.

1. **OSDS Ordinance (8, 9)**Aimed at improving OSDS this ordinance requires inspection and certificates of properly functioning OSDS to be conducted and registered with the parish before property transfers can be completed. All new OSDS installed must register with the parish. Once registered all property owners with an OSDS on site must file an updated inspection certificate with the parish every fifth and tenth year of every decade. Additionally, utilities will not be turned on without evidence of OSDS certification. The parish is granted the authority to inspect OSDS for proper maintenance, require corrective actions, assess monetary penalties and pursue misdemeanor charges where appropriate.

1. **Watershed Management Planning Resolution (2, 4)**The resolution is aimed at parish planners. The resolution is designed to outline necessary steps in parish-wide watershed planning. By following the suggested planning phases in the resolution a parish will gain a superior knowledge of their water resources, the types of impacts current activities are having and make plans for the implementation of future water quality goals. The information gained by this type of planning will be helpful in determining what other ordinances/programs a parish will need in order to maintain high quality water resources.

1. **Parish Inspection for the Maintenance of NPS BMPs : Existing Development (7, 12, 13, 15, 16)**This ordinance is designed to focus planning efforts on urban NPS pollution by allowing the Parish to target specific urban areas in which property owners/developers

(persons or entities responsible for property management) will be required to develop Urban NPS Reduction Plans. Planning will require BMPs to be selected, implemented and maintained for properties identified. Planning can also be required on a case-by-case basis for properties found to be problem pollution sources. Once a plan is in place the parish has the authority to uphold the approved plan through inspections and enforcement mechanisms.

1. **Pollution Prevention (10)** The pollution prevention ordinance promotes good housekeeping practices that are designed to significantly reduce and control storm water urban runoff pollution, which runs into storm drains, treatment facilities and local waterways. The ordinance prohibits a number of land use activities and provides penalties for repeat offenders. New development is also targeted. An Urban Runoff Mitigation Plan is a requirement designed to minimize the negative impact of development on water resources.

1. **Green Space Resolution (1, 2)** This ordinance promotes green space goals for new development and major redevelopment in urban areas. All new construction must leave undisturbed land in order to minimize impacts on water resources. Existing development is also encouraged to increase pervious surfaces through an Outstanding Green Space Member Program. The program is based on the development of Green Space Management Agreements between the property owners and the parish. The parish is granted the authority to uphold and enforce these agreements through notices of violation. Upon receipt of a notice the property owner must correct any violation or reimburses costs if the parish does the work.

8) New Construction NPS BMP Ordinance (1, 11, 12)

All new construction and redevelopment of a specified size, including roads, highways and bridges, is required to develop a NPS Plan, which includes a selection of BMPs chosen specifically for the unique features of that site. The plan will include BMPs for the construction phase and BMPs designed to control NPS introduction on a permanent basis. All changes to natural hydrological systems will be reviewed to ensure negative water quality impacts are reduced. All other parish permits will not be issued without evidence of an approved NPS Plan. The parish is given enforcement authority to make sure the implementation of the plans is being carried out.

9) Golf Course Design and Maintenance Model Ordinance (10)

The purpose of this ordinance is to require planning and proper maintenance of golf courses, which will reduce nonpoint source pollution impacts to area surface and ground water. Golf course developers are directed to design and implement nonpoint source pollution best management practices. Course designs and best management plans are submitted to the (designated local government agency/office) for approval before golf course construction can begin.

10) Urban NPS Education Resolution

The resolution is aimed at parish planners. It is designed to outline educational goals for the local government to accomplish. All goals are designed to assist the general public in their understanding of the sources of urban nonpoint source pollution and to make training and

education, certification programs, guidelines and convenient pick-up and drop-up services available for the public.

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